

No further deregulation of the broadcast media!

I am alarmed by the FCC's plans to further deregulate the public airwaves. With large corporations allowed to own an unlimited number of radio and television stations, it will be impossible for smaller independents to compete with the economies of scale, so this decision is effectively a death blow to independent on-air media.

Whatever "diversity" may be provided by the new corporate media giants, there is one thing which will unite them: they will have a common interest in presenting a picture of the world which favors huge corporations. News unfavorable to such corporations is guaranteed to be downplayed or, more likely, unreported.

This is unacceptable. The FCC should fulfill its mandate of ensuring that the limited resource of the broadcast spectrum is used in the best interest of the people, not huge mega-businesses.

Sincerely,

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